Advantages and Disadvantages of Online Education Tools

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Abstract:

Distance learning entails teachers to have a basic understanding of using cardinal forms of learning. However, this is not the instance always. Very often, teachers have a very elementary understanding of technology. Some issues concerning online learning, its advantages and disadvantages and challenges of online education at higher education are examined in this article.

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Education as means of learning is an all-time key to success, especially for career-oriented people who hope to loan on both a personal and a professional level. Regrettably, many of us find it problematic to add new challenges to our demanding and strict schedules. An increasing importance of technology and the Internet in our everyday life has also left an impact on the education system. In recent years, educational institutions have been faced with a choice, to combine technological innovation with traditional teaching (blended learning) and enable remote learning on the one hand, or to stick to traditional, face-to-face learning that could potentially cause a drop in the number of enrolled students in the near future if technology demands increase, perhaps even forcing them to close down permanently. Distance education has been with us for some time. Since its introduction more than a decade ago, many students are availing of the system for convenience and accessibility.

Online learning is one of the modern developing methods of teaching. Students can learn about practically any subject online despite place, condition and time. One of the most frequently used terms after the pandemic is the term "new normal." The new normal in education is the enlarged use of online learning tools. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused new ways of learning. All around the globe, educational institutions are looking to online learning stages to continue with the process of educating students. The new normal now is a transformed notion of education with distance learning at the key of this transformation. Today, digital learning has arose as a necessary resource for students and schools all over the world. For many educational institutions, this is a completely new way of teaching that they have had to adopt. Online learning is now appropriate not just to learn academics but it also covers learning extracurricular activities for students as well. As with most teaching approaches, online learning also has its own set of positives and negatives. Interpreting and understanding these positives and negatives will help institutions in creating approaches for more efficient distribution of the lessons, ensuring an uninterrupted learning ride for the students.

Below I would like to represent advantages and disadvantages of distance learning at educational institutions as well.

- Online learning bargains teachers an efficient way to carry lessons to students. It has a number of tools such as videos, PDFs, podcasts, and teachers can use all these tools as part of their lesson plans. By covering the lesson plan beyond traditional manuals to include online resources, teachers are able to become more effective educators.

- Another benefit of online learning is condensed financial costs. Online teaching is far more affordable as compared to physical learning. This is because online learning eliminates the cost points of student transportation and most importantly, real domain. Moreover, all the course or study resources are available online, therefore creating a paperless learning atmosphere which is more affordable, while also being beneficial to the environment. Meanwhile online classes can be taken from home or location of choice, there are fewer chances of students mislaid out on lessons. Each student has a different learning ride and a different learning style. Some of them are visual learners, while some students favor to learn through audio. Likewise, some students succeed in the classroom, and other students are individual learners who get distracted by large groups. The online learning system, with its range of options and resources, can be modified in many ways. It is the greatest way to create a perfect learning environment suited to the desires of each student.

Some might accept that traditional learning in a physical background is the most natural and best way to cooperate. But that's not essentially true. In an online class, no student sits in the back row. Everyone sits basically front and center! Those that are too cautious to ask a question in front of their whole class now have the option of initiating a live, private chat with their teacher. A student uncomfortable with diffusion to the entire class may even choose to mute their microphone or spike their camera while continuing to participate in the lesson. A student with the ability to hide may seem like a disadvantage of online courses. But now, teachers have the possibility of administering online quizzes to confirm every student is involved. They can edit and enhance videos to create a better learning experience online. In a physical classroom, the teacher may write notes on a board, in hopes that students are scrawl the information down themselves. With connected learning, an instructor can write down notes on a digital whiteboard or even assign a student to write real-time notes that students can easily download after the class.

Possibly the small period of time you actually managed to create around a full-time job and family to learn how to code didn't agree with class hours at your local community center. Was a college in your area even offering your dream class? Now with virtual learning, the sky's the limit for new training opportunities. With online education, learners have the option of learning from instructors in any time all over the world, at possibly any time of day. A world of opportunity can now be opened from your laptop or smartphone.

- I we focus on disadvantages, for many students one of the main challenges of online learning is the cope with focusing on the screen for long periods of time. With distance learning, there is also a greater chance for students to be easily distracted by social media or other sources. Therefore, it is imperious for the teachers to keep their online classes hard, attractive, and interactive to help students stay focused on the class.

- Another important challenge of online classes is internet connectivity. While internet dissemination has grown in dives and bounds over the past few years, in minor cities and towns, a consistent connection with attired speed is a problem. Without a reliable internet connection for students or teachers, there can be a lack of endurance in learning. This is disadvantageous to the education process.

- One more difficulty with distance learning is sense of isolation. Students can learn a lot from being in the corporation of their peers. However, in an online class, there are minimal physical interactions between students and teachers. This often marks in a sense of loneliness for the students. In this situation, it is domineering that the school allow for other forms of communication between the students, peers, and teachers. This can include online messages,

emails, chats and video conferencing that will allow for frontal interaction and lessen the sense of isolation.

Distance learning entails teachers to have a basic understanding of using cardinal forms of learning. However, this is not the instance always. Very often, teachers have a very elementary understanding of technology. Sometimes, they don't even have the necessary resources and gears to conduct online classes. To struggle with this, it is important for schools to invest in training teachers with the latest technology inform so that they can demeanor their online classes effortlessly.

Finally, many parents are worried about the health risks of having their children spend so many hours gazing at a screen. This upsurge in screen time is one of the biggest anxieties and disadvantages of online learning. Sometimes students also advance bad posture and other physical problems due to staying curved in front of a screen. A good answer to this would be to give the students enough time of breaks from the screen to refresh their mind and their body.

There are rewards and drawbacks of online learning for higher education. But as technological competences have reached new heights and many of the major worries of students taking online classes have been addressed, the advantages of online classes are beginning to drown out the disadvantages.

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